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## THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington  
By J. E. Jones

**RETURNING THE RAILROADS**  
"Ding" the famous cartoonist who lives in Iowa and draws for a New York newspaper pictures that make the nation sit up and take notice, had a cartoon the other day, depicting the return of the railroads to private operation. The scene was laid in a village square, at the front door were standing father and mother, representing the owners of the railroads, and on the porch were a group of boys who had dragged into the yard a very badly used toy railroad train. "Thank you for letting us play with this," said the boys; and one youngster asked, somewhat bashfully, "Please may we borrow them again sometime?"

The railroads that the government is now turning back to the control of the owning companies, after two years of war service, certainly show the effects of hard usage, and it is a tough job that has been put up to the managers to restore the railroads to first class condition.

**SOME PLAIN FACTS**  
Here are some plain facts about the condition of the railroads as they are relinquished by the government:

The operating expenses have been increased by \$1,000,000,000 a year, of which more than \$1,000,000,000 is increased cost of labor.

The government has provided only half the required number of new freight cars and engines, and no new passenger cars, so that the owners must find the wherewithal to buy about \$700,000,000 worth of equipment.

The government has been unable to maintain the railroads in as good condition as they were taken over, and the owners will have to dig around for probably \$300,000,000 new capital to put the railroads in condition.

Two years of political control of wages and working conditions has undermined the morale of the 2,000,000 employees, with the resulting lowered efficiency, and it will probably take several years to get the working forces back to normal.

Railroad rates were not increased sufficiently by the government to meet the great increase in operating costs, and a further considerable increase in rates will be necessary to make the roads self-sustaining. The government has passed this "buck" to the private companies.

**MALMED AND CRIPPLED**  
The railroads return from the war maimed and crippled, physically and financially, but, fortunately for the commerce of the country that is so vitally dependent upon sound railroads, Congress, after months of painstaking labor has provided in the new railroad law a means of bringing the railroads back to a state of efficiency. Without the protection of this law there would undoubtedly have been widespread railroad disaster, with bankruptcy and heavy losses to investors and the general business of the country.

**NOT AN IDEAL LAW**  
The new railroad law is not ideal. No laws ever are. But it is an honest effort on the part of Congress to provide a sound basis for the future development of our railroads. It makes it mandatory for the Interstate Commerce Commission to provide a level of rates that will provide for the greatly increased payrolls and the higher costs of materials. How much this increase in rates will be has not been determined, but it is believed that there will be an average increase in freight rates of something like 25 per cent.

**THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION**  
Greater responsibility than ever has been placed on the Interstate Commerce Commission by the new railroad law. The salaries of the members of the Commission are increased to \$12,000 a year, and the membership is increased from nine to eleven. As there is already a vacancy on the Commission, President Wilson will have to appoint three new members. A former member of the Commission, Judge C. A. Smith, now head of the Valuation Department, recently said that the whole future of the railroads now rested with the Commission, because of its great power over the carriers.

There is great interest, therefore, in the appointments the President must soon make on the Commission. If these new members are broad visioned, courageous administrators the building of railroads will be encouraged and capital will again flow into the vitally necessary development of railroad facilities.

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES

No services will be held in any of the churches next Sunday.

### TOWN MEETING

**NEXT MONDAY**  
The annual town meeting will be held by adjournment next Monday. The town reports were mailed out on Tuesday and the indications are for an interesting meeting.

### SUSPENDED NEWSPAPERS

Until within recent years newspapers never quit—they just passed on from one owner to another. But now publishers fail in business, just like other business men. Publishing has become a matter of first importance in the nation, and likewise its hazards have increased. The time has passed when you can take a dull boy and "make an editor out of him," as the poet Will Carleton put it. Twenty-five hundred newspapers have suspended publication since July, 1918, but still the Post office Department cries savagely for higher rates for second-class mail matter. They lay their deficits at the door of the publisher, and even try shifting some \$3,000,000 annual loss in the rural free delivery service to the newspapers.

### WHITE PRINT PAPER

It would be a pleasure to report that there was a prospect that the government would limit the size of some of the big city papers. The excess fat that cannot be classified as "news" in Sunday editions consumes enough white print paper to provide thousands of small weeklies and dailies. But the government is not likely to interfere, and meanwhile the big publishers with their sinches on the white print paper supply are the big fish in the pond whose greediness has jumped the price of print paper out of sight. Evidently the bigger the publishers the less is their worry about the white print paper condition.

### THE RAW MATERIALS

New York States and New England will exhaust their woods from which paper is made in approximately 17 years. The Lake States are good for 18 years. Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina will finish in ten years. Only Alaska, Washington, Oregon and California have reserves that insure that their supplies are in no immediate danger. The Government itself substantiates these statements.

It is an important factor that 95 per cent of the pulp and paper mills are located in the East. To move those plants to the West means that they will have to be wrecked, or entirely reconstructed. The change in the geographical source of supply means higher cost of paper, wood and pulp used in the United States comes from Canada.

### FUTURE STOCKS

The Forest Service has called attention to the Swedish system where the mills employ technically trained foresters who prepare accurate figures concerning the growth of young forests. This Federal Bureau even supplies the belief that young forests can be produced and reproduced in the vicinity of the paper mills. And the layman who reads the Forestry literature can see young trees fed into the hopper. But Uncle Sam is insistent that he has the right "dope," and it is declared that young, thrifty growing forests will produce yields scarcely imagined by one who has been accustomed to deal exclusively with old timber. A sad commentary on the spirit of national wastefulness is the fact stated by the Forest Service that in the saw mill waste in slabs and edgings now taking place that 1,600,000 cords of wood that could be made into pulp and paper is lost. The publishers hope for the future evidently lie in new methods of getting pulp wood, perhaps along the lines referred to above.

### REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The Republicans of Bethel will meet in caucus at the Lockup in Bethel village, on Saturday afternoon, March 13, at two o'clock, for the purpose of electing a republican town committee, four (4) delegates and four (4) alternates to attend the republican state convention to be held in Bangor, on March 25, coming, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, four (4) delegates and four (4) alternates to attend the republican district convention to be held at the same time and place as the state convention, and transacting any other business that may properly come before said caucus.

## CORPORATION MEETING

The annual meeting of Bethel Village Corporation was held at the Hose house on Monday evening and proved to be as much of a farce as usual, and as it will always prove, unless the taxpayers of the village take some interest in the meetings and not leave it all to the toll tax payers. It would have been possible at any meeting during the last few years, for a small clique to "put through" almost anything they wanted.

Clerk F. E. Hanson called the meeting to order and read the warrant, and the following officers were elected:

Moderator—N. R. Springer.  
Clerk—F. E. Hanson.  
1st Assessor—L. W. Ramsell.  
2nd Assessor—E. M. Walker.  
3rd Assessor—D. G. Brooks.  
Treasurer—J. L. Carver.  
Auditor—E. C. Park.

Engineers—D. G. Brooks, J. S. Hutchins, Roy Bennett.  
Park Commissioner for 3 years—John N. Swan.

Tax Collector—F. B. Hall.  
Rate \$.015 on a dollar.  
Appropriations

Street Lights, \$1,170  
Fire Department, 300  
Hydrants, 300  
Sinking Fund, Fire Dept., 938  
Miscellaneous Expenses, 100  
Parks, etc., 300

It was also voted to pay for the bond of Treasurer and Collector, and the Treasurer was authorized to hire money if needed.

In regard to the repair of the Corporation buildings the matter was left to the Assessors with authority to draw on the balance in the treasury.

## THE MASON MANUFACTURING COMPANY INSURES ALL EMPLOYEES

As a result of over a year's study for some plan whereby the company could reward the efforts of its employees, Mr. L. L. Mason, treasurer of the Mason Manufacturing Company, decided to benefit all alike according to the length of service, and that one of the best ways in which to do this would be in the form of a life insurance policy. These will be given to each employee who was on the pay roll on February 27th, 1920, namely, those employed at the South Paris tax factory, the New York office, Chelsea dower warehouse and the J. A. Kenney mill, the latter having just been purchased by the Mason Manufacturing Company.

The many employees will in a short time be presented with their Life Insurance Certificates, which reads as follows:

**To Our Employees:**  
This Certificate of Life Insurance is presented to you in appreciation of your earnest and faithful services and as an expression in substantial form of the value this Company places upon your loyal co-operation.

Life Insurance is something everyone should have, but often one does not get around to it; or does not want to bother with the medical examination; or is not in good enough health to be accepted. The group method of insuring all the employees of a concern at the same time makes it possible for the individual to avoid all the trouble incident to taking out a policy. All one has to do is to answer a few simple questions. In addition to the life insurance there is a provision that if one becomes totally and permanently disabled before reaching the age of sixty the policy becomes due, and payment may be taken in either annual or monthly payments as desired. The Mason Manufacturing Company pays the entire cost of this insurance for its employees.

The amount of insurance is shown in the table below, being based on the number of years of continuous service in the employ of the Company, and is continued in force as long as employment by the Company continues.

All employees as of February 27, 1920, are insured. All persons employed after said date will become insured after having completed sixty days continuous service.

In continuous service less than 1 year,  
1 yr. but less than 2 yrs., \$700.00  
2 yrs. but less than 3 yrs., 800.00  
3 yrs. but less than 4 yrs., 900.00  
4 yrs. but less than 5 yrs., 1,000.00  
5 yrs. but less than 6 yrs., 1,100.00  
6 yrs. but less than 7 yrs., 1,200.00  
7 yrs. but less than 8 yrs., 1,300.00  
8 yrs. and over, \$1,500.00 (Max.)

Said sum shall be paid to the insured in case of total permanent disability, or in case of death, to such beneficiary as is named in this certificate, if such beneficiary survives the insured, otherwise to the executors, administrators or assigns of the insured. In case of erst.

## CHAPMAN CONCERT

To Be Given In Bethel, Wednesday Afternoon, March 17, 1920

Mr. Chapman takes great pleasure in announcing three of New York's foremost artists for his annual tour of concert this season. Miss Adelaide Fischer, Soprano, has a most charming personality, a voice of rare beauty. She is well known in the large musical centres, and critics wherever she has appeared, have acclaimed her as one of the finest sopranos in America. Her voice is much like Alma Gluck, and she sings with consummate skill. She is giving recitals all over the country.

Miss Ruth Ray, the sensational violinist, pupil of the great Auer, the teacher of Mischa Elman, Jascha Heifetz, and Toscha Seidel, made her debut in New York last November. Her success with the public and critics was so great that she was instantly engaged as soloist with all of the leading orchestras. Her recitals also, have proved a revelation. She is today without doubt the greatest lady violinist before the public. Miss Ray has a most fascinating personality, and her playing is a delight to watch. Her technique is faultless, and her musicality is Mr. Auer claims is on a par with Heifetz and Seidel.

Mr. Harold Land, the young American Baritone, has a voice of fine quality, and in quoting from one of the critics of New York says his voice may not be as large as Anato, or De Luca of the Metropolitan Opera House, but for quality it is considered as fine. He has a great future before him, and sings right into the hearts of his public.

It is easy enough to see why Mr. Chapman is so enthusiastic over his Company for it is the finest combination of high-classed artists that he has brought to us for his spring tour. Mr. Chapman will preside at the piano as usual. Tickets at popular prices. Don't forget the date, Wednesday afternoon, March 17.

### PROGRAMME

(a)—Poem, Zdenko Fibich  
(b)—Moment Musical, Willy Burmeister  
(c)—Percussion Solo, P. Rios, Op. 34, No. 5

**MISS RUTH RAY**  
(a)—Valse, Vanderpool  
(b)—Bodouin Love Song, Piusatti  
(c)—Aria—"Valse d'Arle," Tosca

**MR. HAROLD LAND**  
(a)—Aria—"Valse d'Arle," Tosca  
(b)—Batterfled, Lina Seller  
(c)—Waves at Play, Edwin Grasso

**MISS ADELAIDE FISCHER**  
(a)—Vocal Solo, Schumann-Auer  
(b)—Elegie, (violin obligato), Massenet  
(c)—"Chere Nuit," Alf. Bachelet

**MISS ADELAIDE FISCHER**  
(a)—"Il Pagliacci," Leoncavallo  
(b)—Polonaise—Brilliant, If. Wieniawski  
(c)—A Fancey, Mary Turner Salter

**MISS ADELAIDE FISCHER**  
(a)—Melodie, Olnek-Kreiser  
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## LOOKING FROM MOUNT PISGAH

Before Moses' death God permitted him to go up into Mt. Pisgah and from there view the Land of Promise. Similarly God's people of today are permitted to ascend the mountain of faith, and behold things which others cannot see or appreciate, things soon to come—blessings to all the families of the earth. These things are revealed to them through the Word of God, illuminated by His Spirit. They see God's promises that the reign of Sin and Death, which has continued for over six thousand years, is soon to be broken; that Satan shall be bound for a thousand years that he may deceive mankind no more; that during that period Christ, and the Church—figuratively styled His Bride, shall reign, on the Spirit Plain as the King of Glory over the whole earth. (Rev. 20: 1-3.) They see that in becoming Jesus' disciples by a full consecration of their lives to God's will, and by the begetting of the Holy Spirit, they become sons of God, and of the Bride class. They see that then they must grow in grace, knowledge and love, as a New Creation, and that they shall now at death experience a wonderful resurrection, change, to make their spirit beings like their Redeemer and sharers of His glory. (1 Cor. 15:43-44).

Looking through the telescope of God's Word, they see the glorious Resurrection to come to all mankind, lifting them up from meanness, ignorance, superstition, sin and death back to God's image and likeness, as Adam first enjoyed this, plus the knowledge gained through the fall and rising again. They see that the penalty which came upon Father Adam and his race was a death penalty, not a penalty of eternal torture, as we once supposed when we neglected to study our Bibles and believed the false doctrines of our creeds, "into the Dark Ages. Truly, we "saw the Word of God of non effect," 1616—and reading the account of Genesis 3:17-19—how plainly the matter is stated. But God never designed that man should die hopelessly. On the contrary, He purposed a redemption and restoration, which is to be carried out to the very letter; and in the Divine purpose, Jesus was the "Lamb of God slain from before the foundation of the world," as the Redeemer of our race. Because of God's purpose to redeem the race, and awaken them, He everywhere speaks of the dead as being asleep. "As by man (Adam) came death, by a man also (Jesus) comes the resurrection of the dead."—1 Cor. 15:21-22.

Instructed through the Bible, they see that the New Day is now dawning, that many of its blessings are now here, though the Sun of Righteousness has not yet risen.

"Midnight shadows" of ignorance and superstition are passing away, and the beauty of God's character and glorious Plan for humanity are becoming more and more discernable as the light of morn increases. They see that God promised that in the "time of the end" in which we are now living, the wise (toward God—not the worldly wise) should understand the hitherto secret things of His Plan and Word, and that the second coming of Christ will be as different from human expectation as was his first advent, and that His Day will come upon the world unawares—only that they will be "in His Days" and only the wise will know it.

They see that the church which God is electing or selecting during this Gospel Age, which is now closing, is promised a spiritual or heavenly reward nature" (3 Peter 1:4), and to share with Christ the work of blessing the world during the Millennium, but that the Lord's provision for those who accept His grace during the Millennium Age is a restitution or restoration of the perfections of human nature (lost by sin), in Paradise restored—the "new earth;" and that the Bible teaches both the doctrine of election and the doctrine of free grace—the election of the church during this age, and free grace for the world in general in the millennial age, and that the harmony of these two doctrines so long supposed to be in conflict, can be clearly shown from the Scriptures. Still looking through the telescope of God's Word they see that 6,000 years of earth's history is past—and that the seventh thousand in the Millennium of Christ's reign—and that the present time, from 1878, is the "harvest" of the age, in which the number of the elect church will be completed—and then the Millennium age will be ushered in by a "great time of trouble" (anarchy, etc., mentioned repeatedly in Scripture), which will level

## WANT COLUMN

Twenty-five words or less, one week, 25 cents; second week, 15 cents; each additional week, 10 cents.  
Each word more than 25; One week, 1 cent and each additional week, 1/2 cent.

## RUBBER BOOTS

I have a good supply on hand at present for men, women and children—all lengths.

There will be a big demand for these goods soon, so why not get yours while your size is here.

## YOUNG'S SHOE STORE

Phone 14-4

## FOR SALE

Two horses and set or single sleds. Inquire of H. H. KING, At Herrick Bros. Co., Bethel, Maine.

## NOTICE

I will be in Bethel the last Tuesday and Wednesday of each month with headquarters at Maple Inn. EDGAR A. HALL, Optometrist, Lock Box 334, Mechanic Falls, Me.

## GOVERNMENT SEEDS

Representative Wallace H. White, Jr. writes us that he will have his allotment of Government seeds as usual this year and anyone desiring the same should send their name to him at Washington or to the Citizen office.

## GENERAL TRUCKING

I am prepared to do general trucking, such as moving freight, wood, hay, etc. RALPH BERRY, Bethel, Maine, Elm Street, 2-20-31p

## FOR SALE

A Second Hand Two Seated Sleigh. Cheap—\$15.00. W. D. KILGORE, No. Norway, Maine

society, humble pride and prepare the way for Immanuel's long promised kingdom—"under the whole heavens."—Isaiah 2:28, 44; 7:13, 14, 18, 22, 27. What a wonderful view from this Pisgah of faith.

"Come all ye saints to Pisgah's mountain, 'Come view our home beyond the tide; Millennial Canaan is before us, Soon we'll sing on the other side.

Of there are the "white throne of glory," And crowns which the saints then shall gain; And all who shall love Christ's appearing, Shall be blessed by His glorious reign.

Of the prospect it is so transporting, Reapers, hasten the gathering we pray; We rejoice in the glory that's promised, And the dawn of millennial day.

Thence springs of life will ever be flowing, Robing the earth in living green, Visions of beauty now before us, When the King and the saints shall reign.

Soon our conflicts and toils will be ended; We'll be tried and tempted no more, And mankind of all ages and nations Shall be blessed in that triumphant hour.

Faith now beholds salvation's river, Gliding from underneath the throne, Bearing its life to whomsoever Will return to his Father's home.

They will walk 'mid the trees by the rivers, With the friends they have loved by their side; They will sing the glad songs of salvation, And be ready to follow their guide.

Clifton O. Foster, Somerville, Mass.

## TESTS MADE FREE OF CHARGE

Free of charge examinations for typhoid, tuberculosis, cancer, syphilis, diphtheria and other germ diseases are made at the diagnostic laboratory of the State Department of Health. During 1919, an average of 37 such examinations were made daily at an average commercial value of \$3.68 or a total of \$9718 saved each day to the people of Maine.



# THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide

## WHEN DAUGHTER GETS SUPPER WHILE MOTHER IS AWAY

Pearl Bailey Lyons in The Farmer's Wife

Girls, have you ever tried getting a whole meal when Mother is away? Mothers sometimes think their daughters cannot possibly get along without them when it comes to cooking a whole meal and it is pretty hard at times to get Mother clear out of the kitchen so one can have a real chance to show what can be done all alone. It is so much fun cooking and getting a whole meal by oneself and no fun at all just to set the table and help some one else when they cook.

The very next time Mother is to be away for the afternoon or has a very busy afternoon with her other duties ask her to give you full charge of the kitchen and supper. Then put on a fresh clean apron, see that your hair is beautifully neat and put it in and show the family what a supper you can get. How proud Father will be of you and how much he and the boys will eat!

Of course, at first you will need to be very careful not to attempt to cook things too difficult; simple dishes are better for your supper anyway.

For our first supper suppose we make our menu read like this:

Baking-Powder Cinnamon Rolls Butter  
Baked Apples Tea

### Directions for Making the Meal a Success

Let us first think what we will have, then make sure everything is in the kitchen to cook with for it is a mistake to start only to find we do not have some of the necessary ingredients. I find that a meal most of which can be cooked in the oven is the easiest kind to prepare. Baked things are better for everyone than fried things. So let us plan for a supper that will use even heat and be sure to have the oven nice and hot when the time comes for baking.

The an gratin potatoes are creamed potatoes made from the cold boiled potatoes left from dinner and cut in half cubes. Make a medium white sauce. You will have to decide for yourself how much to prepare for your family as that depends on the number to be served. Season it well with salt and pepper and pour the sauce over the potatoes until it nearly covers them. Cover the top with fine bread crumbs and then a grating of cheese and another layer of crumbs. Add bits of butter to the top to make the crumbs brown. You may prepare the potatoes for the oven an hour or more before baking time and allow about half or three-quarters of an hour for the baking, depending on the size of the pan.

Prepare the apples next. Wash, quarter and core them and place in a pan with a little water in the bottom of the pan. Sprinkle brown sugar over the apples and also a little cinnamon. Add a few pieces of butter to the pan and let the dish away until you put the potatoes in the oven. The apples will bake in the same time and use the same oven heat.

After the potatoes and the apples are ready for the oven it is a good time to set the table. In this Daughter must let her light shine as well as in the cooking of the supper. For this special occasion use a fresh supper cloth unless it will add to Mother's work. Be sure it is put on perfectly straight with the middle crease down the center of the table.

In order to be sure we have on the table everything for serving when we sit down, we had better turn to our menu and see what dishes and silver are required. Each person will need a fork for the potatoes, a knife for cutting the rolls, two spoons, one for the apples and one for the tea; a plate, water glass, tea cup and saucer if they drink tea. Napkins are necessary to protect our clothes from crumbs or accidents. If washing is a big problem at your home, you can use paper napkins very nicely. The napkin is always folded in a square and placed at the left.

# THE PURCHASED APPLE TREE

Should Be True to Variety Name and Be Propagated from Heavy Bearing Stock

Every orchardist knows that the apple tree in his orchard are of a given variety because the nurseryman from whom he bought the tree grafted them when small with a label of that variety. Few orchardists realize, however, how important it is to know from whence the graft came. To be more explicit, was the graft taken from a tree of high yield; was it taken from a tree of which was itself in full bearing? Some results obtained at Highmoor Farm through the efforts of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station biologists demonstrate what an important part care in selecting grafts may play in the subsequent yield of the trees of which the graft forms the essential part.

In 1913 the yields of Ben Davis apples in pounds per tree ranged from 0 to 153 pounds on 882 trees of orchard No. 1. These yields have been divided into five groups so that each group contains 1-5 the total number of trees. The average yield per tree for the lowest group (1) was 3 pounds; the next group (2) 3.8 pounds; the next group (3) 4.6 pounds; the next group (4) 19.5 pounds and the highest yielding group (5) 46.6 pounds. The following average yields in 1914 (1) 11.9 pounds; (2) 12.3 pounds; (3) 14.1 pounds; (4) 17.6 pounds and (5) 26.1 pounds or a tree in group number 5 in 1914 had a yield in 1914 of 2 times as much as the tree in group number 2 in 1913 had in 1914.

These results are consistent with those for the following years. Thus in 1917 group number 1 of 1913 had a yield of 11.4 pounds, 2 of 46.4 pounds, 3 of 51.9 pounds, 4 of 83.1 pounds and the highest group (5) of 104.1 pounds. The results of 1919 and intervening years bear out the results of 1914 in showing the much greater yielding capacity of trees of the 5 group as compared with those of the other groups.

When it is realized that these differences are to be attributed to the little graft that the nurseryman put into the scion to make the tree true to "see variety" it is forced home that the selection of grafts is a very important matter. Of so much importance is it in fact that it may make or break the owner of the orchard.

From other studies it has been found that the grafts should be selected from trees large for their age, from limbs which are themselves high yielding, and that water sprouts should not be used. It goes almost without saying that vigorous, healthy trees only should be chosen, if the results sought for (heavy bearing trees) are to be obtained.

A leading man in Maine's agriculture was the Director of this Station some months ago as to the importance of establishing a reliable nursery for propagation of the apple in Maine. The following is quoted from that letter: "As I have said to you previously, I think it is of enormous importance that the right kind of trees should be available for the planting of future orchards. The Maine apple is rapidly coming into its own, and the wisdom of the purchase of Highmoor Farm and the carrying on of your orchard experiments there, is being demonstrated with greater emphasis year by year. I am still of the opinion that there ought to be a State nursery established for the purpose of scientifically demonstrating correct nursery methods, and for furnishing to some extent at least the planters of Maine, with special reference, perhaps, to those who desire to plant Gregory Carlton orchards in cash or on a no sale basis at Highmoor, there might be found within easy distance, perhaps, some distinctly suitable plot which the State could purchase and operate in connection with the work at Highmoor."

The suggestion is along the line that the State has already taken up in connection with the Forestry Department. A small appropriation was made to the Commissioner of Forestry for starting a nursery for propagation of white pine. After a few years this has become so well established that the returns to the State Treasury from the sale of trees to citizens is covering the cost of propagation. There is no place in Maine where at present Maine grown apple trees can be purchased. It might be advisable for the next Legislature to give this matter of apple propagation consideration. The function of an Experiment Station is investigation. While it might be possible to start this in connection with Highmoor Farm it should not be placed there unless arrangements are made so as not to interfere or lessen the work of investigation now in progress. For this work, and has given results of innumerable value to the State and still more important problems are waiting for solution.

Chas. D. Woods, Director.

### WHEN TO SEE THE DOCTOR

The time to see the doctor is before you are sick, says the Maine Department of Health, emphasizing the necessity for periodic physical examinations.

# THE PURCHASED APPLE TREE

Should Be True to Variety Name and Be Propagated from Heavy Bearing Stock

Every orchardist knows that the apple tree in his orchard are of a given variety because the nurseryman from whom he bought the tree grafted them when small with a label of that variety. Few orchardists realize, however, how important it is to know from whence the graft came. To be more explicit, was the graft taken from a tree of high yield; was it taken from a tree of which was itself in full bearing? Some results obtained at Highmoor Farm through the efforts of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station biologists demonstrate what an important part care in selecting grafts may play in the subsequent yield of the trees of which the graft forms the essential part.

In 1913 the yields of Ben Davis apples in pounds per tree ranged from 0 to 153 pounds on 882 trees of orchard No. 1. These yields have been divided into five groups so that each group contains 1-5 the total number of trees. The average yield per tree for the lowest group (1) was 3 pounds; the next group (2) 3.8 pounds; the next group (3) 4.6 pounds; the next group (4) 19.5 pounds and the highest yielding group (5) 46.6 pounds. The following average yields in 1914 (1) 11.9 pounds; (2) 12.3 pounds; (3) 14.1 pounds; (4) 17.6 pounds and (5) 26.1 pounds or a tree in group number 5 in 1914 had a yield in 1914 of 2 times as much as the tree in group number 2 in 1913 had in 1914.

These results are consistent with those for the following years. Thus in 1917 group number 1 of 1913 had a yield of 11.4 pounds, 2 of 46.4 pounds, 3 of 51.9 pounds, 4 of 83.1 pounds and the highest group (5) of 104.1 pounds. The results of 1919 and intervening years bear out the results of 1914 in showing the much greater yielding capacity of trees of the 5 group as compared with those of the other groups.

When it is realized that these differences are to be attributed to the little graft that the nurseryman put into the scion to make the tree true to "see variety" it is forced home that the selection of grafts is a very important matter. Of so much importance is it in fact that it may make or break the owner of the orchard.

From other studies it has been found that the grafts should be selected from trees large for their age, from limbs which are themselves high yielding, and that water sprouts should not be used. It goes almost without saying that vigorous, healthy trees only should be chosen, if the results sought for (heavy bearing trees) are to be obtained.

A leading man in Maine's agriculture was the Director of this Station some months ago as to the importance of establishing a reliable nursery for propagation of the apple in Maine. The following is quoted from that letter: "As I have said to you previously, I think it is of enormous importance that the right kind of trees should be available for the planting of future orchards. The Maine apple is rapidly coming into its own, and the wisdom of the purchase of Highmoor Farm and the carrying on of your orchard experiments there, is being demonstrated with greater emphasis year by year. I am still of the opinion that there ought to be a State nursery established for the purpose of scientifically demonstrating correct nursery methods, and for furnishing to some extent at least the planters of Maine, with special reference, perhaps, to those who desire to plant Gregory Carlton orchards in cash or on a no sale basis at Highmoor, there might be found within easy distance, perhaps, some distinctly suitable plot which the State could purchase and operate in connection with the work at Highmoor."

The suggestion is along the line that the State has already taken up in connection with the Forestry Department. A small appropriation was made to the Commissioner of Forestry for starting a nursery for propagation of white pine. After a few years this has become so well established that the returns to the State Treasury from the sale of trees to citizens is covering the cost of propagation. There is no place in Maine where at present Maine grown apple trees can be purchased. It might be advisable for the next Legislature to give this matter of apple propagation consideration. The function of an Experiment Station is investigation. While it might be possible to start this in connection with Highmoor Farm it should not be placed there unless arrangements are made so as not to interfere or lessen the work of investigation now in progress. For this work, and has given results of innumerable value to the State and still more important problems are waiting for solution.

Chas. D. Woods, Director.

### WHEN TO SEE THE DOCTOR

The time to see the doctor is before you are sick, says the Maine Department of Health, emphasizing the necessity for periodic physical examinations.

# 1820 1920

The State of Maine Centennial Committee announces the opening of its headquarters in the east wing of City Hall, Portland, Maine, March 15, 1920, and invites your suggestions and co-operation in making 1920 the greatest year in the history of the Pine Tree State.

Governor		Special Legislative Committee		City of Portland	
Carl E. Milliken, Augusta		Edward F. Baxter, Bath Guy P. Gamble, Augusta Freeman D. Dearth, Dexter Edgar E. Rounds, Portland Frederic O. Eaton, Rumford Frank H. Holley, North Anson Charles E. Hanson, Saco Alfred D. Sawyer, Fort Fairfield Harry Cochran, Monmouth John T. Fagan, Portland		Charles B. Clarke, Mayor Walter B. Trickey Sydney B. Larrabee Joseph A. Craig	
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Business Manager					
Fred H. Gabb					

# LOUKE'S MILLS

Alton Wheeler of South Paris was in town on business, recently. Gwendolyn Bartlett was at Bryant's Pond, Friday. Ethel Cole visited with her sister, Bertha, at Bethel, Saturday. Arthur Stowell was a business visitor at Portland for a few days. Fred Morton was in Auburn, Friday, visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Tebbets were at South Paris, Tuesday. Don Sukforth of Portland visited a few days last week with friends. The Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. Chas. Stowell, Wednesday. Saturday's storm was the worst in years. Rain followed by snow and wind made roads impassable in a few hours. Mrs. Harry Jordan of Bethel visited with Mrs. George Turill, Thursday.

# NEW HAMPSHIRE FIRE INS. CO.

Assets Dec. 31, 1919  
Real Estate \$ 332,500.00  
Mortgage Loans 639,600.00  
Stocks and Bonds 5,254,893.74  
Cash in Office and Bank 180,704.00  
Agent's Balance 688,281.88  
Bills Receivable 77,400.00  
Interest and Rents 76,845.40  
All other Assets 6,990.48  
Gross Assets \$7,300,695.06  
Deduct items not admitted  
270,722.29  
Admitted Assets \$7,034,972.77  
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919  
Net unpaid Losses \$ 405,848.71  
Unearned Premiums 3,866,226.42  
All other Liabilities 350,453.61  
Cash Capital 1,000,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities 1,382,442.03  
Total Liabilities and Surplus \$7,034,972.77

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Collateral Loans 12,000.00  
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Cash in Office and Bank 309,321.07  
Agent's Balance 628,876.16  
Interest 107,590.44  
Gross Assets \$8,663,810.55  
Deduct items not admitted 319,634.07  
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Agent's Balance 36,013.76  
Interest and Rents 11,626.96  
Gross Assets \$1,194,645.54  
Deduct items not admitted 10,332.00  
Admitted Assets \$1,174,003.34  
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919  
Net unpaid Losses \$ 25,959.00  
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Net unpaid Losses \$ 20,288.57  
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Gross Assets \$541,953.51  
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Admitted Assets \$499,432.06  
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## Spring Suits

Many new Suits are here—Suits that are dignified with long, slender lines. Suits that have a youthful box coat, Suits with all the newness of the new season. The suits are attractively tailored, every detail is as carefully fashioned as the individually made-to-order Suit, the collection assures a selection to every woman's taste.

## Spring Coats

Here are Coats that express the fashion idea in every detail. Garments that represent the last word in fashion's demands. The styles are youthful in appearance and exceedingly smart and attractive. The newest fabrics are among our new Spring Coats and all the colors that are correct.

## New Taffeta Silk Dresses

Special Value \$24.75

The new styles will appeal instantly and certainly the price will. The taffeta silk used is of an excellent quality in either navy or copen and combined in several effective ideas with Georgette Crepe. Some are very effectively trimmed with pointed lace, Georgette and ribbon. Several especially attractive styles. A visit will convince you that you can find a dress designed to your liking and the price will afford you a pleasant surprise considering the cost of everything now.

# Brown, Buck & Co.

NORWAY, MAINE

### HANOVER

The most severe storm of the winter visited this town beginning Friday with a light rain which settled to a steady rain at night and continued till nearly morning when it turned to snow and continued through the day accompanied by a high wind which piled the snow in drifts. The wind continued to blow all day Sunday so the roads could not be made passable.

Mrs. Eli Stearns has been poorly the past two weeks but is feeling much better at present.

Web Worcester's family have all been on the sick list but are all better now.

Smith Brothers have broken a road around the pond to their timber so as not to cross the pond.

Leah Powers and Parker Russell were detained at Hamford by the storm.

### SOUTH ALBANY

How Ford has bought a new \$3.00 of Amos.

Frances McAlister was here from Norway High School last week and Monday evening, when she brought up a very interesting fact.

Grandchildren of James, who was born in 1800 and passed away in 1880, are now living.

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CHURCH STREET, BETHEL, MAINE

Have you noticed

That commercial candies are much higher in price and lower in quality? The remedy for this is to buy pure, home-made candy.

We have a limited quantity twice a week. Let us take your order for a pound or half pound delivered regularly at your house.

PLAIN STICKS of various flavors, 40 cents a pound.  
FRUIT CREAMS, 50 cents a pound.

CHARLES L. POLLARD, Manager

### BRYANT'S POND

The schools of the whole town have been closed the past week. There is a prospect that some of them will be in session again Wednesday. Some will be closed for a period of vacation, beginning the Spring term the last of the month.

H. Newell was a visitor in Augusta and Cumberland Center last week.

Dr. R. P. Willard is the newly appointed member of the Board of Health.

Miss Eleanor Jordan is assisting in the central telephone office.

Mrs. Sarah P. Swan, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, passed to a higher life on Saturday evening, March 6th.

Mrs. Swan had been identified with the life of our little village since her marriage with David G. Swan in 1861 and to the date of residence she was the oldest inhabitant.

From her four score of years one has passed out where life had been one of true devotion to family and one too, whose integrity and good faith always found acceptance in the community.

She was the daughter of the late Benjamin and Elizabeth M. Reynolds Bacon and of the family two yet survive, Mrs. Laura M. Bacon of West Paris and Charles B. Bacon of West Paris.

In the immediate family of Mr. and Mrs. Swan there are now living, Mrs. Minnie Chapman of South Westport and Mr. J. I. Swan of this village, both whom the mother made her home. The funeral was held at the residence on Wednesday afternoon, attended by Rev. Charles H. Moore of Bethel.

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### JUST A CASE OF POLITENESS

Mere ordinary politeness should prompt any man to smother a cough and muffle a sneeze, says the Maine Department of Health.

## NEW GOODS

Shirt Waists

Embroidery and

Knitting Cotton

Shell Goods

Neck Wear, etc., etc.

L. M. STEARNS

BETHEL,

MAINE

# WALL PAPER

I have a very good assortment in stock

D. Grover Brooks, Bethel

### BETHEL AND VICINITY

Buried in snow  
In all we know;  
No trains to go;  
Traveling slow;  
Nothing for news;  
Given one the blues;  
But never mind,  
For soon we'll find  
Items galore  
To fill page four.

Crows were heard in the village Wednesday morning.

Miss Alice French went to Portland, Friday for a few days.

Mr. D. C. Conroy returned to his work in Berlin, Wednesday.

Miss Marian Mansfield returned to her school at No. Berwick, Tuesday.

Mr. C. E. Lord of Portland returned home Friday to spend a few days.

Mrs. Harry Jordan was the guest of Mr. George Tirrell at Locke's Mills, Sunday.

Miss Esther Tyler was home from Bliss Business College, Lewiston, for the week end.

Mr. Lester Benn of Phillips, Maine, was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. Edmund Merrill, Thursday.

Miss Ida Packard assisted in the telephone office during the absence of Miss Alice French.

Mr. Harry Carter was the guest of his family, Tuesday, leaving for a four months business trip to Canada.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge will observe Children's Night at their regular meeting next Monday night, March 15.

Miss Olive Wiley of Bar Mills arrived Wednesday after spending a few weeks with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Wiley.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Goodwin, who have been caring for Dr. E. L. Brown and family, returned to their home in Mayville, Monday.

Mrs. Carrie Frost French has just received a French Memorial Certificate in honor of her son, Ralph Frost, who was a private in the Machine Gun Company, 28th Infantry.

Among those who are planning to attend the Shriner's Ball at Portland, Thursday are: Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Edwards and Mr. Ernest Walker. Mr. Walker's niece, Miss Theresa Metcalf, of Farmington will accompany him.

## NATION'S LARGEST EXHIBIT BOSTON AUTO SHOW

MECHANICS BUILDING  
IRVINGTON ST. ARMORY  
(Armory Show for Benefit of Y. D. Club)

OPEN SATURDAY

ALL NEXT WEEK—A. M.—10.30 P. M.  
PERSONAL DIRECTOR—CHESTER J. CAMPBELL

Rev. Mr. Swartz, who has been spending several weeks at his home in Brockton, Mass., returned to Bethel last week.

The quarantine for Flu is soon to be lifted. Although a new one we have of being drifted.

In snow, so deep that no travel by train or team. And without mail for two days, had did things seem.

Saturday and Sunday it snowed and blew all day. On Sunday skis and snowshoes were the only way.

That folks could travel anywhere they had to go. And then in some places the going was very slow.

Although things have not been running on schedule time. We hope that very soon things will be going fine.

For Wednesday the students of Gould's were greeting. And next Monday they expect to hold town meeting.

On the 17th of March we will have a rare treat. So please don't delay, but at once secure your seat.

For Prof. Chapman's concert held in Odeon Hall. Don't forget the date or place but come one and all.

THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN IS ONLY \$1.50 PER YEAR WHEN PAID IN ADVANCE. SUBSCRIBE NOW.

### ALBANY

Mrs. Charles Beckler is visiting her sister, Mrs. Parley Andrews, of Gosham, N. H.

Mr. Nathan Wheeler of Farmington has been stopping at L. J. Andrews' through the storm.

Miss Laura Cummings is assisting Mrs. Linnie Abbott of Bethel. Everyone has been shoveling snow lately.

Will Grover went with a load of pups Tuesday.

"The Bats Around My Place Were 'Wise,'" Says John Tutthill.

"Tried everything to kill them. Mixed poison with meal, meat, cheese, etc. Wouldn't touch it. Tried BAT SNAP. Inside of ten days got rid of all rats." You don't have to mix BAT SNAP with food. Saves fussing, both.

Break a cake of BAT-SNAP, lay it where rats scamper. You will see no more. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by G. L. Thurston Co., Bethel; W. E. Bosserman, Bethel; C. E. Stowell & Son, Locke's Mills; Mark H. Allen, Bryant's Pond.

## MILK WANTED

More milk shippers wanted. Large or small lots. Must be handy to station.

Reference, Manufacturers Bank, Lewiston, Maine  
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## Bright eyes

Dull eyes and that drowsy feeling are usual signs of a bilious condition. Biliousness should be taken to stimulate the action of the bowels and other digestive organs. This household remedy brings quick relief and is a serious attack of biliousness. Sufferers from biliousness have a bottle always on hand. Take small doses regularly. This will tone the system and keep the entire system normal. Don't experiment with widely advertised pills that may contain acetanilid or other harmful drugs. The F. P. has established a reputation through 60 years of quality, and is well known in many families with its varying beneficial results for three generations. Get a bottle today. Most druggists and storekeepers carry it. A large bottle, 60 doses for 60c, or a free sample from the "F. P. Medicine Co., Portland, Maine.

### RUMFORD

Miss B. A. King has accepted the position as Superintendent at the McCarroll Hospital. Miss King, for nine years, was superintendent at the Dr. King Hospital in Portland.

William Carroll, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carroll of Franklin street, has been a recent visitor of his parents, called here by the severe illness of his mother.

Miss Alice McDonald, who for several months past has been clerking in the store of the E. K. Day Company, has resigned her position and has accepted a position in the Rumford National Bank, which duties she began this week.

Mrs. Emma Barker and son, Alphonso, of North Leeds are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy L. Barker of Lincoln avenue.

Mrs. Benjamin McDonald has recently arrived in this country from England where she has been serving as a Red Cross nurse. Mr. McDonald was in the service, and at that time, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald were married in England.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Brown of Strathglass Park are sympathizing with them in the loss of Mr. Brown's father, who died at his home in Farmington. He was 81 years of age.

It is reported that there is quite a serious coal shortage in Rumford. Mr. Waterhouse, the coal dealer, says that his sheds are empty, and that he does not know when he will receive any more coal, owing to the bad condition of the freight service.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Dorion are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Morcier of Knox street are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter. Mrs. Morcier was before her marriage Miss Maudie Colombe.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Chambers have returned from their honeymoon trip. Mrs. Chambers was formerly Miss Elizabeth Whoolley.

George Nichols has gone to Truro, N. S., believing that the trip will benefit his health, having just recovered from the influenza. Mrs. Nichols has been in Truro for the past two or three months. Mr. Nichols is employed in the acid room of the International mill.

John Foster died last week at the Starwood Hospital from pneumonia. He was 46 years of age, and unmarried. He came to Maine from St. John, N. B., when a boy, and for many years worked for Billy Gregg at his stables in Andover. A short time ago he came to Rumford and became partner of Peter Symonds in the Riverside stables.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Landry are being congratulated upon the birth of a son.

A republican caucus is to be held in Strathglass building on Thursday evening of this week for the purpose of selecting a town committee, nine delegates and nine alternates to attend the Republican State Convention, and delegates to attend the Second District Convention.

A contest for membership of the room class at the Universalist church is being held. Mrs. George A. Hutchins and Carl Andrews being captains of one team, and Mrs. Nellie Fernald and Walter Pillsbury of the other. The losers are to furnish a supper to the winners.

George A. Arnold, Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue, is at the Rumford Post Office for this entire week for the purpose of assisting tax payers in making their income tax returns.

The employees of the Rumford mill and Bag Company have been told what could be called an "army" of food. The food is being distributed by the committee to purchase food for the mill.

## Bright eyes

Dull eyes and that disagreeable, itchy feeling are usually the first signs of a bilious condition. A teaspoonful of "L. P." Atwood's Medicine should be taken promptly to stimulate the action of the liver, bowels and other digestive organs. This household remedy never fails to bring quick relief and may ward off a serious attack of indigestion. Sufferers from biliousness should have a bottle always on hand, and take small doses regularly as a precaution. This will tone the stomach and keep the entire system healthy and normal.

Don't experiment with unknown widely advertised pills and tablets that may contain acetanilid or other coal-tar derivatives. The true "L. P." has established a splendid reputation through 60 years of unchanging quality, and is well worth the confidence it enjoys. It has been used in many families with varying beneficial results for three generations. Get a bottle today. Most druggists and storekeepers carry it. A large bottle, 60 doses for 50c, or a free sample from the "L. P." Medicine Co., Portland, Maine.

**L. P. MEDICINE CO.**

### GREAT MASS OF PROOF

Reports of 50,000 Cases of Kidney Troubles, Some of Them Bethel Cases

Each of some 6,000 newspapers of the United States is publishing from week to week, names of people in its particular neighborhood, who have used and recommended Dean's Kidney Pills for kidney backache, weak kidneys, bladder troubles and urinary disorders. This mass of proof includes over 50,000 recommendations. Bethel is no exception. Here is one of the Bethel cases.

C. L. Davis, coal dealer, Main St., says: "My back troubled me on account of doing heavy lifting. There was a dull ache across my kidneys and my kidneys acted irregularly. Dean's Kidney Pills, which I got at Bosserman's Drug Store, relieved the backache and regulated my kidneys. I take Dean's now to keep my kidneys in good condition and always get prompt results. I place great confidence in them."

Price, 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Dean's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Davis had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mrs. Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.

market where the prices obtained would afford an opportunity to sell below what the local dealers charge. It is understood that the goods dealt with are just packages or canned goods, no fresh meat is cut. It is said that the employees have obtained the use of a room at the mill for a store room, where one of the purchasing committee sells the goods.

Miss O'Brien, a representative of the State Bureau for the Welfare of Children, was in Rumford last week, and conducted an investigation of certain charges that had been preferred against Alex Thorpe, who lives at 221 1/2 Walden street. There are nine children in the family, ranging in age from one and a half to 22 years. Mrs. Thorpe died a year or so ago and since that time the older children have attended to the housework and taken care of the young children, while their father worked in the Oxford mill. It is said that the matter was brought to the attention of the State authorities, because of evidence of immoral conditions in the house. Miss O'Brien fully investigated the matter, and decided that it was imperative for the State to take charge of the seven younger children. They will be placed in good families in the State, and brought up as they should be. As to the case of the two older girls that will probably be a matter for the Rumford authorities to handle.

Among the convalescents in town from recent sickness are Miss M. Sanford Coombs, teacher of Domestic Science in the public schools, who has been sick with ptomaine poisoning; Mrs. D. D. Andrews, who has been very ill with double pneumonia; Miss Christine Greig, who has had a surgical operation; Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Linnell, who have had the influenza; Mrs. Charles Atwood, just recovering from tonsillitis; Mrs. P. B. Clark, from an attack of acute rheumatism; Miss Edna Foster and Miss Alice Gauthier, who are just getting about after operations for appendicitis.

Mrs. Ralph Stetson and little daughter, Winnifred, have been quite sick with the "flu."

On Wednesday of last week a bad fire occurred at the Lawrence Peterson home on Pine street. It is thought that the fire caught around the chimney. The house was completely gutted and water sank it, and turned Mrs. Clara Wall and family and Mr. Peterson and family out of their home. A few household furnishings were saved by the fire department.

Much sympathy is being extended to Mr. Paul Egan and Mrs. John Egan of this town, whose father, Mr. Gilbert J. Egan, was killed last week at Bethel by a load on collision between a freight train and a work train. Mr. Egan had been employed on the railroad for about 20 years. He was 50 years of age.

At the station of Bethel and Bangor, where the morning high water was running, one of the worst of the winter storms, about midnight, impeding traffic and causing a block of the railroad.

There were no trains into Bethel from Bangor until the morning of Monday afternoon, the whole of Sunday being blocked. Street carmen and railroad employees are doing their best to get the trains moving again.

The heavy rain of Sunday caused the water to flow across the road between the two bridges making it impassable for some time.

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### WEST PARIS

Mrs. Emily (Joy) Field died Wednesday, March 3, from pneumonia at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Albert Swan, East Bethel. The funeral was held at Bethel and the remains brought Saturday to West Paris, and placed in the tomb to await burial in the cemetery. Mrs. Field was the widow of Ernest Field. They resided during their married life on a farm on the road leading from North Paris to Sumner, with the exception of a short time when they lived in the house at West Paris which Mr. Field purchased. After his death she bought a place near the village and occupied it until she bought the double tenement house, formerly the butter factory, near the cemetery. Mrs. Field had been away keeping house for her brother, but expected to return home early in the spring. She was highly respected and many friends sincerely regret her death. She is survived by three children: Mrs. Ora Swan of Bethel, Keith who enlisted in the navy and served during the war and is now working at home, and Doris Field; also one grandson, Ernest Swan. Mrs. Field was a member of West Paris Grange.

D. H. Phipps and son Clyde have been ill with flu, but are improving. Mrs. C. L. Ridlon is recovering from the prevailing epidemic.

The annual meeting of the Good Will Society was held with Mrs. L. C. Bates Wednesday afternoon. The following officers were elected:

Pres. Mrs. Lewis C. Bates. Vice-Pres. Mrs. Elroy R. Davis. Sec. Mrs. Lewis M. Mann. Treas. Miss Della H. Lane.

It is reported that Bert Long has purchased the residence of Dr. I. W. Staples.

Herbert Hill of Portland and Mrs. Laura Dismore of Norway have been guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hill.

Mrs. H. A. Markley entertained her Sunday School class at supper Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Della Coburn is with relatives at Franconia, N. H.

Mrs. W. S. Austin of South Paris attended Pomona and later visited her sister, Mrs. S. T. White.

Rev. H. H. Hathaway and Rev. H. A. Markley went to Bangor, Tuesday morning to attend an interchurch meeting of all ministers of the State.

B. R. Billings of Bryant's Pond was a week end guest of E. J. Mann.

A son was born Saturday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Briggs, weight 11 pounds.

Grace Brock is at home from teaching at Andover. E. M. Emery has suffered a second paralytic shock and is very low. Wright Flavin was at home over Sunday.

Mr. Saunders of Portland was a guest Friday of Lewis M. Mann. There was no school Monday. Tuesday morning the roads were opened sufficiently for teams to get into town. Trains began to run and some mail arrived, and things began to resume normal conditions, after the worst blizzard since 1885.

The worst storm and blow for the winter Saturday night. Walker Nason and three children are stopping at his brother's, E. H. Nason's, at So. Paris.

Thelma Baneroff has finished work at So. Paris and is at her home here. There was a good attendance at the circle Tuesday evening entertained by four gentlemen. The proceeds were given for the Far East Relief and a collection was taken of over \$10 for the same purpose, so the whole amounted to some over \$20.

Harry Brown went to Norway and brought Mrs. Edna Sessions home, who had come from the hospital greatly improved in health.

Mrs. John Grover and son, Alton, who have been sick, are on the gain, also all at Newell Andrews are gaining.

George Wentworth is staying with his aunt, Mrs. Holden Sawin, while his mother is helping care for the sick at Newell Andrews.

Leola Hatch was taken very sick Sunday with a severe headache and vomiting and now her right hand is useless and her speech affected so that she can only say a few words.

Annie Hazelton has three Ben Davis apples that were picked in October, 1918, that are as sound, apparently, as when gathered.

On account of the bad storm no mails went Saturday and the stage did not get here to go to Norway until Monday afternoon.

Mr. R. C. King Tells a Wonderful Story About Rats. Read It.

"For months my place was alive with rats. Losing chickens, eggs, feed, I did. Somewhat disappointed at first, I did not see many dead rats, but in a few days they were all around my place. RATS! SNAP! sure does the trick." Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by G. L. Thurston Co., Bethel; W. E. Bosserman, Bethel; C. E. Stowell & Son, Leeds; Mark G. Allen, Bryant's Pond.

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### AN IMPORTANT HEALTH MOVEMENT

People are asking some pertinent questions in various parts of the State: "What is this organization?" "What are its plans?" "What are the methods by which you expect to save baby lives?" These queries are not all voiced out of mere idle curiosity, it appears. As the Secretary of the Maine Baby Saving Society answers these questions he finds a real and vital interest in the cause. Many people do not realize that two of every 15 deaths in Maine are of infants under one year, or that two of every 11 deaths are of babies under five years of age. In New Zealand the record is only one in 20. But in Maine it is one in 8; and at least half of these deaths of babies are preventable.

The Maine Baby Saving Society plans to save baby lives by securing the establishment and maintenance of local baby clinics to which mothers may take their babies for examination by the doctor and prescription for treatment and care, to maintain health if well, to secure health if sickly. The Clinic nurse visits the homes of these mothers for instruction and demonstration in carrying out the doctor's orders for the baby. Standard free literature on "Prenatal Care," "Infant Care," "Child Care," (for children of pre-school age), and "Milk"; other literature will be added later for distribution.

"The story of the baby and child life saved by the baby clinics wherever maintained is not only interesting but very illuminating when the methods are according to recognized standards; and even where methods are more or less crude, much good results," says the Secretary of the State Society.

The Secretary hopes to have a number of Baby Clinics established before the summer is over, in new localities; and is ready to give every possible encouragement to Clinics already established, without duplication of effort. The headquarters of the Maine Baby Savings Society are at Bangor.

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He'll tell you that the battlefronts of Europe were swarming with rats, which carried the dangerous vermin and caused our men misery. Don't let rats bring disease into your home. When you see the first one get RAT-SNAP. That will finish them quick. Three sizes, 25c, 50c, \$1.00. Sold and guaranteed by G. L. Thurston Co., Bethel; W. E. Bosserman, Bethel; C. E. Stowell & Son, Leeds; Mark G. Allen, Bryant's Pond.

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## POEMS WORTH READING

## SATISFIED

I cannot say,  
Beneath the presence of life's cares to  
day,  
I joy in these;  
But I can say  
That I would rather walk the rugged  
way,  
If but it please.

I cannot feel  
That all is well when darkening clouds  
conceal  
The shining sun;  
But then I know  
God lives and loves—can say, since it  
is so,  
"Thy will be done."

I do not see  
Why God should ever permit some  
things to be  
When he is love;  
But I can see,  
Though often dimmed through mystery,  
His hand above.

I cannot speak  
In happy tones the teardrops on my  
cheek  
Flow I can see;  
But I can speak  
Of grief to suffer with submission meek  
Hail made glad.

I do not look  
Upon the present, but in nature's truth,  
To find my fate;  
But I do look  
For promised blessings in God's holy  
book,  
And I can wait.

New York Tribune.

## THE SUNSHINE

Then set no finger to monarch's hall;  
A joy thou art and a wealth to all;  
A tower of hope unto land and sea;  
Sunshine, what gift both the world  
like thee?

Then set walking the billows, and  
seem smile;  
Then hasten forth with glory his  
cheerful face;  
Then hasten up the ships, and the  
seafaring crew,  
And gladden the sailor like words  
from home.

To the serene depths of the forest  
shades  
Then set streaming on through their  
green arcade,  
And the quivering leaves that have  
caught the glow,  
Like flames glance to the pools below.

I looked on the mountains: a vapor lay  
folding their heights in its dark array;  
Then breaketh forth, and the mist be-  
came  
A crown and a mantle of living flame.

I looked on the peasant's lonely cot,  
Something of sadness had wrapped the  
spot;  
But a gleam of the sun its casement  
fell,  
And laughter came to that bright  
spell.

Sunbeam of comfort, O, what is like  
thee,  
Hope of the wilderness, joy of the sea?  
One thing is like thee, to mortals giv-  
ing  
The faith touching all things with hues  
of heaven.

Pellea Berthea Hemans

"If I were a man," the woman said,  
I'd make my mark as I was dead,  
I'd lead the world with battle cry,  
And I'd be famous ere I should die  
If I were a man."

"If I were a youth," the old man  
said,  
I'd seize all chances, I'd go with the  
tide,  
I'd win my way to the highest place,  
And stick to honor, and seek life  
glide.

"If I were a youth," the poor man  
thought,  
I'd give my all for the poor's sup-  
port;  
I'd open my door, and I'd open my  
heart,  
And goodness and I would never part,  
If I were a youth."

And let it all these things come true,  
The woman a man the man a youth,  
The poor man rich—then, in all truth,  
This world would be, when we got  
through.

Just as it is  
—James Oppenheim, in New York Post.

## Rosindale Woman Recommends This Prescription

Mrs. Albert J. Patch, of Rosindale, Mass., writes: "Before taking your medicine (Dr. True's Elixir) I was troubled with what I thought stomach trouble, I had that terrible gnawing in my stomach nearly all the time. Within half an hour after eating a hearty meal, I would have that same disagreeable feeling. I was losing in weight every day. After taking your medicine (Dr. True's Elixir) I was relieved of that terrible gnawing in my stomach, expelled worms, and I felt like a new person in many ways, and would heartily recommend it to any one suffering as I did."

Headaches, tired feeling, weakness, spots before the eyes, bad breath, sleeplessness, irritability, dizziness, constipation can be relieved, if you take the prescription known as Dr. True's Elixir. The Family Laxative and Worm Expeller. It has done much for sick people, men, women and children, ever since 1851—over 65 years reputation. AT ALL DEALERS. Adv.

**GIVE THE BIRDS THE CRUMBS**  
You should save every crumb till the little birds come,  
To your backyard to search for their ration;  
For when winter winds come, you can give the birds some,  
While you're sending great stores to the nations.

When the chilly blasts blow o'er the cold winter's snow,  
How can these feathered friends find a living?  
From the back door you know the crumbs you can throw;  
Give these friends just "a bit" while you're giving.

To be sure, there's no crown and you can win no reward,  
When you give the birds the crumbs from your table;  
But the Lord will not frown with the snow coming down,  
When you give these true friends what you're able.

There are just such a few of the feathered friends who  
glow to stay through the bleak winter season;  
So friends ought to strew the crumbs, though but few,  
For each bird's each heart knows the reason.

E. A. Woodward, in The Watchman.

**ARE WE GROWING OLD?**  
If we can see the future with a calm and steadfast gaze;  
If a ray of optimism brightens all our days;  
If through life's web we can weave a thread of gold;  
Then we may know that we're not growing old.

If with nothing we turn back to gaze of past days;  
If we're lagging for the far future, then  
facing our life's ways;  
If we can only the future as gray and old;  
Then we know we're growing old.

But we know we're growing old  
Mrs. E. J. Bunker Smith  
Hampden, Kansas

**THE GOOD THINGS COME**  
We cannot have all of our joy in a bag,  
We cannot have all of our glory and gain;  
Without an intermission when the gladness  
can sleep;  
Without a little moment of heartache  
and pain.  
The finest pleasures that brighten the soul  
Come gradual and sweet, like an un-  
folding flower;  
And it is then that we learn how to use  
and control  
The gifts and the grace of our won-  
derful hour.

We cannot have all of our life in a day,  
Of our love, of our glory—we only achieve,  
The gift of life's promise in joyful-  
est day  
When after the doubting, we've  
learned to believe.

**UNHAPPY WAR MARRIAGES**  
An indication that last year was a record one in the matter of divorces, is noted in the Division of Vital Statistics of the Maine Department of Health, so that the divorce blanks which the division supplies to clerks of court in Maine for the purpose of reporting divorces, have been much in demand, several of the courts having used up their allotted supply and sent in for more. This might be interpreted that some of the hasty war marriages are not turning out as happily as soldier husbands and war brides had anticipated.

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## FARMERS' WEEK

U. of M., March 22-26, 1920

Copies of the official program of Farmers' Week at the College of Agriculture, University of Maine, are being mailed to agricultural organizations and will be sent to individuals who desire them. The lectures and demonstrations will begin at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning, March 23, and the program will be continued through four days, forenoon, afternoon and evening sessions being held each day except Friday, when the final session will close at 4:30.

The home economics section of the program will begin Wednesday morning, the 24th, and continue three days, with forenoon and afternoon sessions. There will be exhibits illustrating various phases of work in agronomy, animal industry, domestic science, forestry, horticulture, extension home economics and club work.

A special feature of the home economics section will be a reception at the practice house, where instructors and visitors in that department reside and carry on practical work, supplementary to that in the laboratories.

Special programs in the agricultural section will be under the auspices of the Maine Seed Improvement Society, the Maine Beekeepers, the Maine Holstein Breeders' Association, the Maine Livestock Breeders' Association, the Maine State Pomological Society, the Maine Federation of Agricultural Associations, the Maine Association of Agricultural Students and the Maine School Alumni Association. One evening will be devoted to a consideration of problems relating to the use of tractors, and an entire day to marketing problems.

Women attending the lectures will be accommodated with board and lodging at Balmat Hall, the girls' dormitory. The men will be lodged at the boys' dormitories, Hamilton Hall and Oak Hall. The opening meeting of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs will be in session at the University Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of the same week, the meetings being held in Library Hall.

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1. Loans and discounts, including a loan to the State of Maine, \$100,000.00  
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3. Cash and undeposited, \$10,000.00  
4. Cash on hand, \$1,000.00  
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6. Cash on loan, \$1,000.00  
7. Cash on deposit, \$1,000.00  
8. Cash on loan, \$1,000.00  
9. Cash on deposit, \$1,000.00  
10. Cash on loan, \$1,000.00

**LIABILITIES**

1. Capital stock paid in, \$25,000.00  
2. Surplus fund, \$10,000.00  
3. Undivided profits, \$1,000.00  
4. Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid, \$1,000.00  
5. Interest and discount collected or credited, in advance of maturity and not earned (approximate), \$1,000.00  
6. Circulating notes outstanding, \$10,000.00  
7. Certified checks outstanding, \$1,000.00  
8. Individual deposits on foot to check, \$1,000.00  
9. Dividends unpaid, \$1,000.00  
10. Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to demand, \$1,000.00  
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COUNTY OF OXFORD, ss:  
I, ELLERY C. PARK, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELDERLY C. PARK, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of March, 1920.

A. E. HERRICK, Notary Public.

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## SOUTH PARIS

Mrs. Albert T. Turner was in town several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fletcher were in Portland last week, attending the auto show.

Mrs. M. C. Weeks was called to Portland last Wednesday by the illness of relatives.

Mrs. Lucinda Spofford of Attleboro, Mass., visited relatives and friends in town last week.

Lester L. Mitchell is visiting his son, Berne Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell is a druggist in Kingfield.

March certainly came in like a lion with the mercury 21 degrees below zero in at least one place in the village.

John Pierce moved his stock of jewelry back into the store he occupied before the fire of Dec. 16 on Wednesday.

Mrs. Louise Powers went last week to Portland to take a course in Gray's Business College. She has room and board at the Y. W. C. A.

Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Elder entertained a rock party of four tables at their home Thursday evening, the first meeting of the club in some weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Tracy Pierce spent several days in Portland last week, guests of Mrs. Pierce's sister, Mrs. Guy Stevens, and her family. Incidentally they attended the auto show.

There will be a jazz dance at the Grange Hall on Tuesday evening, March 16th.

Miss Margaret A. Baker of W. J. Wheeler & Co., who has been ill at her home in Norway for a number of weeks, has so far recovered that she has spent a portion of the time in the office during the past week.

Gardner L. Nelson, who has been general passenger and freight agent of the New England Grand Trunk roads during Federal control, has been appointed divisional freight agent of the Grand Trunk Road as far west as Detroit and St. Clair Rivers.

Herman H. Stuart, superintendent of schools in Augusta, a well known native of this village, has just returned to his home after attending the National Superintendents' Convention in Cleveland, Ohio. About 10,000 superintendents were in attendance at that meeting.

Philip S. Mason has sold his house at Falmouth Foreside, where the family have lived for the past few years, and Mr. and Mrs. Mason will come to South Paris to live in the household of his sister, Mrs. P. N. Wright. The son, James Mason, is to work for S. M. Rowe at Willow Farm this season, taking out door work for the benefit of his health.

Mr. H. M. Tucker of Yarmouth, formerly of Paris, Chief of Animal Industry Division, Maine Department of Agriculture, will be one of the speakers of Farmers' Week at the University of Maine to be held between the dates of March 22 and 26. He will speak at the forenoon session on March 24th. His subject will be "Profit or Loss—Which?"

Harry I. Lowell is clocking in the grocery store of E. J. Record.

Frank Goodsmith was in Portland several days last week attending the auto show.

Mrs. W. B. Austin visited her sister, Mrs. E. T. White, at West Paris a day or two last week.

Miss Mary King of the Strained Mountain District is at the Portland Eye and Ear Infirmary. She has had one eye removed.

The O. G. P. met Thursday evening with Miss Lela Billings, when Miss Doris Kerr was initiated. The next meeting will be held Thursday evening of this week with Miss Eva Andrews.

Mrs. Kate Linder, who has been ill for some time, received a telegram Saturday from her son, Leo Linder, of Detroit, Mich., saying that he was on his way here to remain as long as he could be of service.

Mrs. E. H. Maxon of the Strained Mountain District had a caller the other day in the person of a woman who came to her door and tried to get in. Not succeeding in this she went around to the back of the house and looked in the window.

The two older sons of Delmont Hill will go to make their home with the late Mrs. Hill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Almon Churchill, at North Leeds. The infant son, two or three weeks of age, will remain for the present with Mrs. Ella Ripley, until other arrangements are made.

On account of the blocked condition of everything following the blizzard, making snowdrifts the only really practical method of transportation, no attempt was made to hold services in any of the churches Sunday. It would be necessary to go back many years to find a parallel instance.

Miss Hazel Heath, who has been stenographer in the office of Allen C. Wheeler for the past few months, will go to North Paris into the office of the newly mill soon, when the mill now operated by the Wheeler Lumber Co. at that place is taken over by the Tebbels interests, and their new enterprise started.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Mason, Dr. and Mrs. D. M. Stewart and Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Gray go to Portland Thursday to attend the Skrine ball. The next day Mr. and Mrs. Gray will proceed to New York where they spend a few days. On March 17th the Masons will embark for Bermuda, where they will spend the remainder of March and the first half of April.

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"O, the snow, the beautiful snow;  
It's an old, old story, which well we know,  
It gives you the shivers, it gives you the grippe;  
If you step outdoors you are sure to slip.  
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Collateral Loans, \$40,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, \$147,592.32  
Cash in Office and Bank, \$240,421.27  
Agent's Balance, \$185,444.46  
Interest and Rents, \$10,901.16  
All other Assets, \$7,014.36  
Gross Assets, \$1,935,972.58  
Deduct Items not admitted, \$9,704.50  
Admitted Assets, \$1,876,268.08  
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919:  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$520,397.47  
Unearned Premiums, \$20,151.50  
All other Liabilities, \$20,343.60  
Cash Capital, \$500,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$1,035,771.15

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,876,268.08  
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HARTFORD ACCIDENT & INDEMNITY COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONN.  
Assets Dec. 31, 1919:  
Mortgage Loans, \$100,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, \$1,224,906.71  
Cash in Office and Bank, \$1,170,105.08  
Agent's Balance, \$1,788,444.28  
Cash Capital, \$3,016.02  
Bills Receivable, \$72,000.17  
Interest and Rents, \$201,296.63  
All other Assets, \$201,296.63  
Gross Assets, \$5,559,768.89  
Deduct Items not admitted, \$260,277.97  
Admitted Assets, \$5,299,490.92  
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919:  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$3,377,028.77  
Unearned Premiums, \$3,774,455.58  
All other Liabilities, \$1,765,407.90  
Cash Capital, \$1,000,000.00  
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$1,282,598.67

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$5,299,490.92  
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Assets Dec. 31, 1919:  
Real Estate, \$1,003,738.40  
Mortgage Loans, \$43,000.00  
Collateral Loans, \$43,000.00  
Stocks and Bonds, \$3,757,133.36  
Cash in Office and Bank, \$4,352,723.16  
Agent's Balance, \$7,354,206.16  
Bills Receivable, \$3,200.00  
Interest and Rents, \$1,097,772.49  
All other Assets, \$255,030.00  
Gross Assets, \$52,709,631.41  
Deduct Items not admitted, \$2,119,109.32  
Admitted Assets, \$50,590,522.09  
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1919:  
Net Unpaid Losses, \$9,912,762.64  
Unearned Premiums, \$5,548,915.29  
All other Liabilities, \$3,000,000.00  
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## WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

To Fred B. Merrill, a citizen of the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford.

GREETING:—In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Bethel, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at Odeon Hall in said Town on Monday, Mar. 1st, 1920, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following articles, to wit:—

- Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To hear and act on the report of the several town officers.
- Art. 4. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.
- Art. 6. To establish the price per day Selectmen and Assessors shall receive for their services.
- Art. 7. To choose the method of collecting taxes for the ensuing year.
- Art. 8. To choose a Collector for the ensuing year.
- Art. 9. To choose a Road Commissioner for the ensuing year.
- Art. 10. To establish the price per day the Road Commissioner shall receive for his services.
- Art. 11. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Art. 12. To choose one member of the School Committee.
- Art. 13. To choose all other necessary Town Officers.
- Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of schools for the ensuing year.
- Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the purpose of paying tuition in secondary schools.
- Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for text-books for the ensuing year.
- Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for school supplies for the ensuing year.
- Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for repairs for schools for the ensuing year.
- Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for repair of roads and bridges for the ensuing year.
- Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for winter roads and overexpenditure.
- Art. 21. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State aid as provided in Sec. 20 of Chapter 130, Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 22. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$400.00 for the improvement of the section of State aid road as outlined in the report of the State Highway Commission, in addition to the amount regularly raised for the care of highways, the above being the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Sec. 9, Chapter 130, Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 23. To see if the town will vote and raise money and what sum for the maintenance and patrol of State and State aid highways during the ensuing year, within the limits of the town under the provision of Sec. 9, Chapter 130, Public Laws of 1913.
- Art. 24. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of poor and overexpenditure for the ensuing year.
- Art. 25. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for Town Officers for the ensuing year.
- Art. 26. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for miscellaneous expenses for the ensuing year.
- Art. 27. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the purpose of paying town debt and interest.
- Art. 28. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the observance of Memorial Day, said money to be expended by Brown Post, G. A. R.
- Art. 29. To see if the town will vote and raise money to pay Collector's bond for the ensuing year.
- Art. 30. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$100.00, the same being paid by the Selectmen to the committee on Welcome to the home-coming soldiers in 1919.
- Art. 31. To see what action the town will take to provide a new school room at West Bethel and raise the necessary money therefor.
- Art. 32. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$349.30, the same being excess cost of Heating Plant for Brick Schoolhouse, over the 1919 appropriation.
- Art. 33. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$341.75, said sum being for installing a proper ventilating and sanitary system at the Brick Schoolhouse, as ordered by the Board of Health.
- Art. 34. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to hire money, if necessary, to pay outstanding bills.
- Art. 35. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$300.00 to procure from the Bethel Library Association the free use of the books during the coming year for all the inhabitants of the town under such restriction and regulations as shall insure the safety and good usage of the books.
- Art. 36. To see if the town will vote and raise a certain sum of money for the repair of the sidewalk on right side of Church street.
- Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to release or sell the corn shop property to F. J. Tyler, and to name rental or sale price.
- Art. 38. To see if the town will authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of 12 to be known as the Budget Committee.
- Art. 39. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as made out by the Selectmen, Town Clerk and Treasurer.

Any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

Given under our hands this 10th day of February, A. D. 1920.

FRANK A. BROWN,  
W. H. THURSTON,  
F. B. HOWE,

Selectmen of Bethel.

The Selectmen will be in their office Saturday the 25th day of February for the purpose of correcting the list of voters of the town and hearing and deciding cases of applicants claiming the right to have their names on the voting list.

Correct Attest:  
FRED B. MERRILL.

## CANTON

Miss Thelma Bicknell went to Lewiston Tuesday, and Wednesday submitted to an operation for appendicitis. She is doing nicely. Her mother, Mrs. A. S. Bicknell, accompanied her and remained a few days.

The Bates College Glee Club of Lewiston will give an entertainment at the Opera House next Friday evening under the auspices of the Canton High School. The proceeds will go toward paying for the piano which was purchased a short time ago. A dance will follow the entertainment.

Miss Wilma Davenport is visiting friends in Boston.

The second degree was conferred on two candidates at the Odd Fellows meeting, Wednesday evening.

New Century Pomona meets with Rockemoka Grange of Peru, Wednesday.

Miss Edna Tirrell has been a guest of her brother, Wesley Tirrell, and wife of Buckfield.

Mrs. Lucy Russell has been spending a few days with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Grace Russell of Peru.

Mrs. Stella Goddard of Rumford is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Parlington.

No town meeting was held Monday on account of a mistake in the warrant. It will be held next Monday.

Mrs. Rosella Bicknell is visiting her sister, Mrs. Costella Fletcher, of Auburn.

Donald Chamberlain, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Chamberlain, who is at work for E. W. Howe at the Howe farm above the Point with his heavy team, was called to Madison, Wednesday, by the sudden death of his wife, who was ill but a short time with pneumonia.

Besides her husband she is survived by a fourteen months' old child.

The next meeting of the Universalist Circle will be held with Mrs. W. B. Gilbert.

A sewing club has been organized in Canton and the first meeting was held Tuesday at the home of Miss Ethel W. Russell. The club will be called the "Soundnoctem Club" and starts with nine members. The club will meet each Tuesday afternoon. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. James A. Reynolds of Lake street.

News has been received of the death of Harry A. Godfrey of Campbell, Mass., after a short illness with tubercular abscesses in the throat. He is survived by a wife who was Miss Nedella Thomas, daughter of Nathaniel Thomas of North Hartford and four children, namely, Ernest, Beth, Walter and Robert, the eldest 13 and the youngest but two years of age, also a mother, sister and brother who reside in California.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Pierce of Gardiner are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, who has been named Richard. Mrs. Pierce was formerly Miss Marjorie Nason, well known in town, where she has frequently visited at the home of her uncle, C. P. Oldham, and family.

Mrs. Ella Stevens of Auburn is slowly recovering from pneumonia.

Mrs. B. E. Patterson has been a guest of her brother, Chas. W. Thompson, and wife and her daughter, Miss Mildred Patterson of Auburn.

Miss Margaret Small has been visiting in Auburn.

Mrs. Angella S. Thompson has gone to Farmington Falls to visit her son, Carroll W. Thompson, and family.

Mrs. C. H. Gilbert of Boston is slowly recovering from the effects of her accident some time ago.

The basketball team of the Canton High School went to Mexico, Wednesday evening and played with the Mexico team, the latter winning. They were accompanied by Principal and Mrs. James DeWeter and Miss Pauline Hodgdon.

Arthur L. Leech of Livermore Falls was in town last week.

Word has been received of the critical illness of L. W. Smith, formerly of Canton.

The storm that struck town Saturday was one of the worst in years, and a large amount of damage was done. Roads are blocked, and no trains arrived in the afternoon Sunday. A big snow plow left the track on the curve by the lake and landed on the ice a few feet. A derrick from Portland was sent for to replace it on the track. Many visited the scene. Trees were blown down, telephone lines put out of commission, windows blown off, and buildings damaged by the breaking of glass. Many were obliged to crawl out of their windows and shovel out their doorways. At the home of T. B. Watson of Hartford the windmill was demolished, eight panes of glass broken out of the house and a corn barn was taken up and carried six feet and set on top of a snow drift.

Mrs. Raymond Witham has closed her store at Gilbertville and gone to Mechanic Falls to join her husband who is employed there.

Her Rich has gone to Portland to work in the Marine Hospital.

The Ladies' Aid met Thursday at the church.

A basketball team from Livermore Falls came to Canton Friday evening and played the Cantons, the latter winning, score 28 to 12. A social followed.

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## SUMMARY OF NEW PUBLIC HEALTH LAWS

A letter by Dr. L. D. Bristol, State Commissioner of Health, has just been sent out to all the mayors and first selectmen of the cities and towns in Maine, calling attention to the new health laws which go into effect on January 1. These laws primarily provide for the appointment and employment in every community of a local health officer, and Dr. Bristol in his letter instructs the city and town officials to proceed with such appointment, and forward to the Department of Health in Augusta the name, occupation, qualifications and salary of the man decided upon that his appointment may be confirmed by the commissioner.

A brief summary of the new public health laws as contained in the commissioner's letter follows:

1. Every city, town and organized plantation shall employ an official who shall be known as the local health officer.

2. The local health officer shall be appointed by the municipal officers.

3. Such appointment is subject to the approval of the State Commissioner of Health.

4. Appointment must be made as soon as possible.

5. He shall be ex officio a member and executive three member board. Presumably the local health officer takes the place on the local board of health of that member whose term is nearest to expiration.

6. No definite term of office is given for the local health officer. It is assumed that the term will be for three years, as is the case for the other members of the local board of health.

7. At the option of the municipal officers he may take the place of the local board of health.

8. The local health officer may be employed to give only a part of his time to the duties of the office, or to give all his time to such duties. It is assumed that his compensation will be fixed by the municipal officers.

9. If the local health officer is entitled to give all his time to the duties of the office, and if he possesses certain qualifications in training or experience, the State will pay one-third of his salary up to \$800 a year.

10. Several adjoining towns may

unite and employ the same full-time trained health officer. Such a union health officer may also receive the above mentioned financial aid from the State.

6. Local health officers and boards are subject to the supervision and direction of the State Department of Health.

## MRS. RIGGS WILL BE SPEAKER AT MAINE DINNER, NEW YORK

Mrs. George C. Riggs (Kate Douglas Wiggin) will be one of the speakers at the Maine dinner at the Hotel Astor in New York, March 12, the dinner commemorating the hundredth anniversary of the admittance of Maine into the Union.

Mrs. Riggs will take as her guest a talented Maine girl, Helen Sherman York of Augusta, and well known in Portland, who will make her first appearance in New York at a recital at Aeolian Hall, March 24. She is preparing her program with the celebrated harpist, David Bissell, who promises that Maine will be proud of Miss York and that she may take her place in the roll of honor that includes Annie Louise Cary, Lillian Nordica and Emma Eames. She will be heard by a distinguished company at the house of Mr. and Mrs. Riggs 10 days before her recital. Her chosen field is opera, not concert, for she has sung with great success in Italy in the leading roles in Lucia, Rigoletto, Traviata and The Barber of Seville.—The Portland Express.

## WEST PERU AND DIORVALE

Mrs. B. C. Putnam is sick with a grip cold and the doctor was called Monday.

Mrs. A. B. Tyler went to So. Paris to remain the rest of the winter.

The families of L. K. Lovejoy and E. W. Sturtevant are all on the gain.

Friends of Mrs. Emily Field, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. L. Swan, in East Bethel, are grieved to learn of her death. Mrs. Field was a nice woman and liked by all who knew her.

Miss Placida Chase of the New England Sanitarium at Melrose, Mass., is staying with her mother for a short time. Miss Chase will be a graduate nurse in September.

Karl Coates of Rumford was in town last week.

WHY NOT BUY IT IN MAINE

## MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD

Mrs. Mary J. Capen returned to her daughter's at Middle Intervale, Tuesday, after spending a week at her old homestead.

Miss Mary Atherton is ill with the grip and bronchitis at O. B. Stanley's.

Miss Ethel Capen returned home Tuesday after spending two weeks with her aunt, Mrs. Ned Carter, at Middle Intervale.

Mrs. Ned Carter spent the day, Thursday last week, at C. A. Capen's.

J. H. Osgood lost his horse Monday of pneumonia.

Master Augustus Carter spent the week end with his uncle, Mr. Chas. Capen.

## RUMFORD POINT

Spencer Abbott, aged 80 years, died Feb. 29. Mr. Abbott was a life-long and much respected citizen of Rumford.

A good neighbor, kind father and a firm friend. He leaves a wife and three sons and two daughters: Albert who lives on the home farm caring for his parents in their declining years. (George, of No. Woodstock; Frank, of No. Dazotay; Annie, wife of John Howe, and Nanette, wife of Daniel Foster of East Bethel. Funeral was at the home Tuesday, attended by Rev. C. A. Campbell of Rumford Center.

Will Walker is working in Bryant's mill on Sunday River.

Mrs. Kate Blanchard spent the week end at Rumford with Mrs. Gladys Blanchard.

## HEALTH NOTES

Mary had a little cold. It started in her head.

And everywhere that Mary went That cold was sure to spread.

It followed her to school one day. There wasn't any rule.

It made the children cough and sneeze To have that cold in school.

The teacher tried to drive it out. She tried hard, but—kerchoo-oo! It didn't do a bit of good.

For teacher caught it too.

—Yvonne Allen DeVilliers

## BEWARE OF MEASLES

Measles kill more people every year in Maine than does small pox, says the Maine Department of Health in emphasizing the need for better control of the so called minor contagious disease.